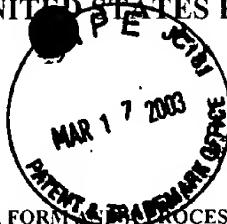


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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed December 11, 2002, please find the Applicant's amendment and remarks hereafter:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 12, the paragraph starting at line 12, please make the following change:

b' --More preferably, the dextrose selected is an α crystalline dextrose having a water content at most equal to 1% in order to obtain a dextrose hydrate in powder form according to the invention having, according to test A, a compressibility in the range 150 N to 200 N, and according to test B, a